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トイレの花子さん 「こっくりさん」 「人面魚」

寓話と名のつくものには、特別な力がある。

「本当にあるかもしれない」と思ったその瞬間、

それらは現実となって、あなたの眼前に現れる。

これは、そんな寓話と、寓話から人々を救う者達の、

少しだけ美しい物語…

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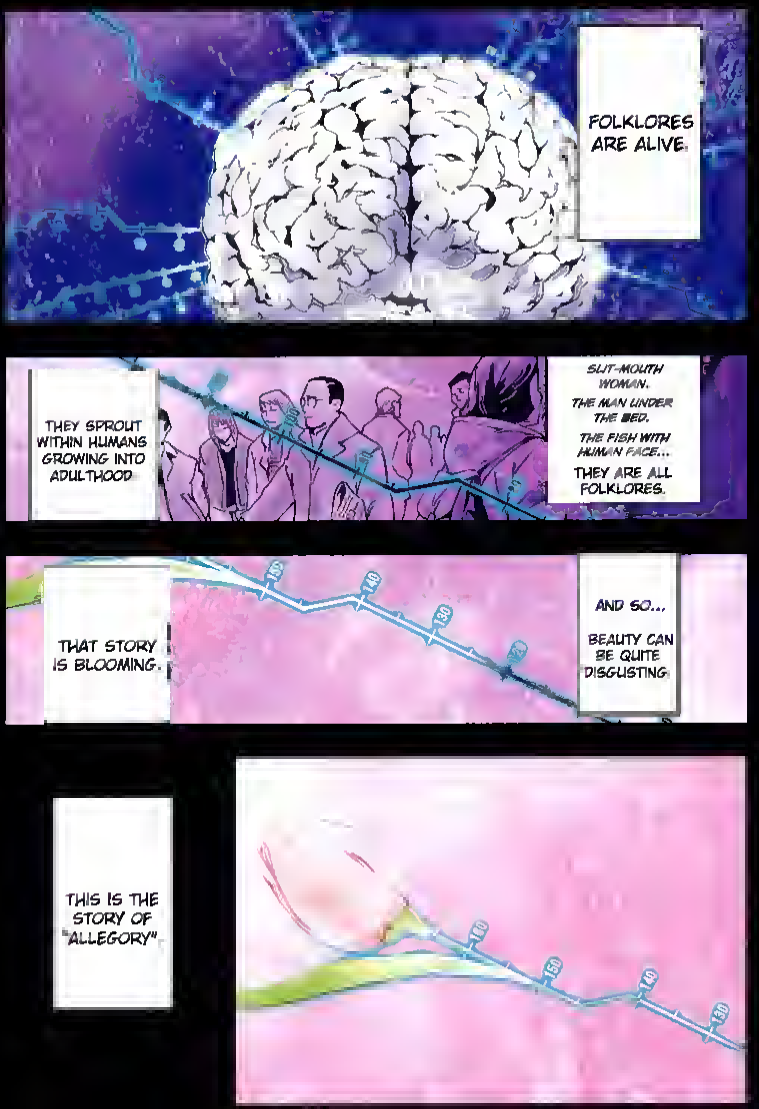
FOLKLORES ARE ALIVE.
THEY SPROUT WITHIN HUMANS GROWING INTO ADULTHOOD.
SLIT-MOUTH WOMAN.
THE MAN UNDER THE BED.
THE FISH WITH HUMAN FACE...
THEY ARE ALL FOLKLORES.
THAT STORY IS BLOOMING.
AND SO...
BEAUTY CAN BE QUITE DISGUSTING.
THIS IS THE STORY OF "ALLEGORY".

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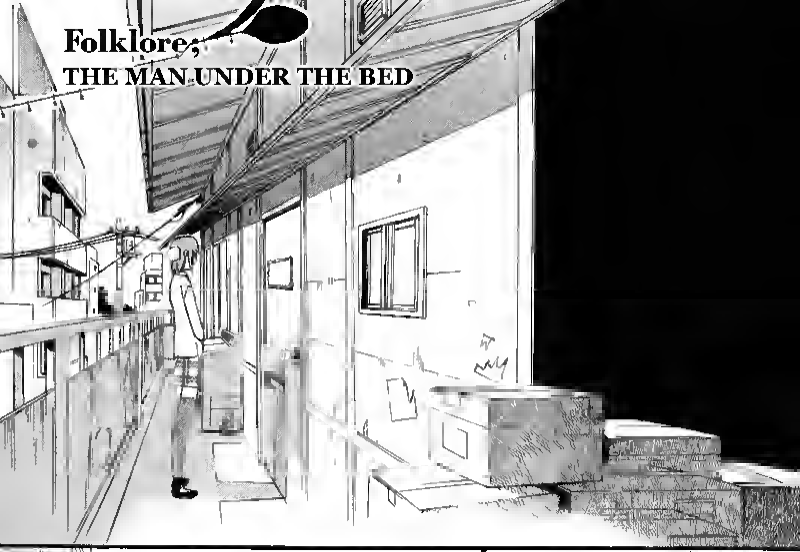
凶器祭り
HEY.
HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF "THE MAN WITH AN AXE UNDER THE BED"?
HUH? WHAT'S THAT?
THERE'S THIS GIRL WHO THREW A SLEEPOVER FOR HER FRIEND
YEAH?
THEY WERE JUST MAKING SMALL TALKS TO PASS THE TIME, BUT THEN...
ALL OF A SUDDEN, HER FRIEND...

HER FRIEND TOLD HER THAT SHE SPOTTED SOMETHING.
...TOLD HER TO GET OUT OF THE ROOM RIGHT AWAY.
HUH? WHY?
UNDER THE BED OF THE ROOM THEY WERE JUST IN...
HA
HA
HA
THERE WAS AN UNKNOWN MAN HIDING IN THERE.

Folklore;
THE MAN UNDER THE BED

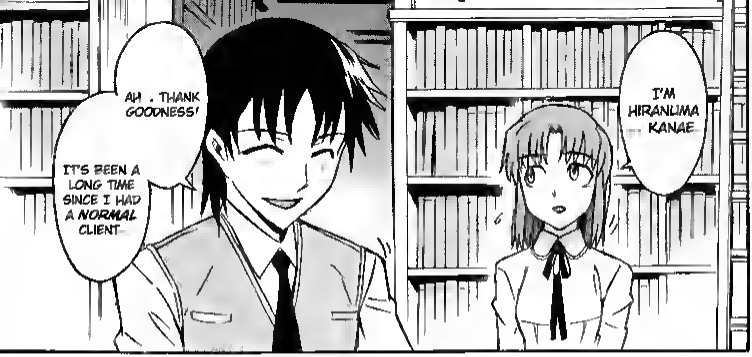


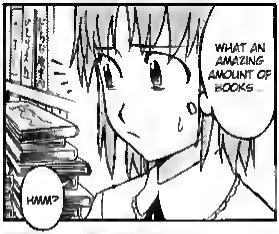
亜想探偵
事務所
ASOU DETECTIVE OFFICE

DOOR BELL
JUST WHEN I THOUGHT NOBODY WOULD BELIEVE MY "STORY"...
TYPING
THE REASON I'M HERE IS BECAUSE...
I LEARNED ABOUT THIS DETECTIVE OFFICE FROM AN INTERNET CHATROOM.
A GIRL REPLIED AND GAVE ME A NAME..
shirokuma That story was kinda lame.
hayashi_san lol
daisuke Hey are you serious?
hayasi_san You should go see a doctor.
hanako About what you wrote
hanako About what you wrote just now. I know a detective who you can talk to
hanako Want me to tell you the name?

DOZING
亜想探偵
事務所
ASOU DETECTIVE OFFICE
THAT STORY.
IF THEY DON'T BELIEVE IT AS WELL, I WILL...
SURPRISED
AH, I'M SORRY.
EH?
AH...
THAT DOOR IS NOW SEALED
COULD YOU PLEASE COME THIS WAY?
YES.

TOILET
I'LL GO MAKE US SOME TEA
PLEASED TO MEET YOU I'M IN CHARGE HERE.
THE NAME'S ASOU DAISUKE.





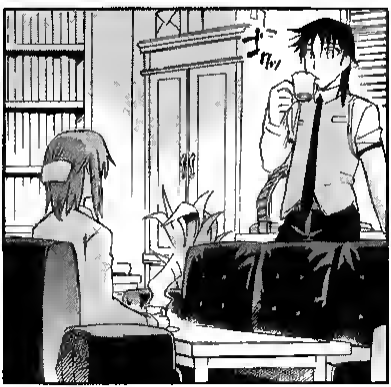
*EROMANGA IS SHORT FOR EROTIC MANGA

IS... IS THIS GUY REALLY OK..?
?
?
JUST LIKE I THOUGHT.
TYPICAL FEMALES DON'T READ EROMANGA.
IT'S JUST HER..
POURING
YOU DON'T LOOK TOO WELL.
NOT GETTING ENOUGH SLEEP LATELY?
YOU COULD SAY THAT.
THIS IS AN EXCELLENT RED TEA.
IT HELPS YOU SLEEP WELL WHEN YOU'RE FEELING DOWN

IF I FALL ASLEEP ...
I'LL BE KILLED.
カチャ
PUT DOWN

HICCUP

...
HUH?!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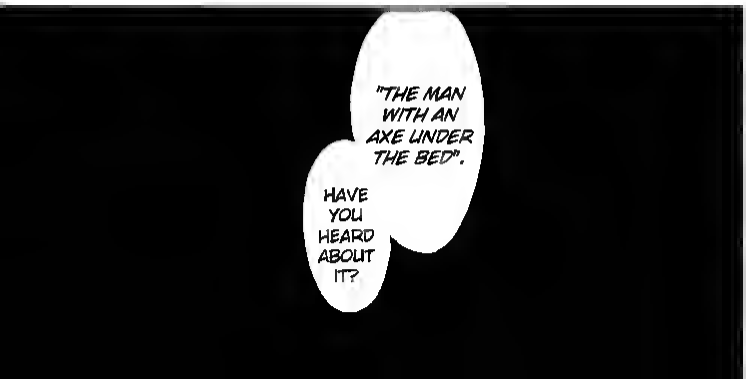
HICCUP
ヒャック
DON'T TELL ME...
YOU ARE NOT A NORMAL CLIENT?
Y...YOU !!

NOPE...! I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THAT!
THERE'S NOTHING MORE NORMAL THAN MY JOB, YOU'VE GOT IT WRONG!
I CAME AFTER HEARING RUMOURS ABOUT YOU.
A DETECTIVE WHO'S ABLE TO SOLVE SUPERNATURAL CASES.

THE FOLKLORE DETECTIVE, ASOU DAISUKE.
THAT'S WHAT PEOPLE CALL YOU.
"HICCUP"
THE HICCUPS...
THEY ARE STARTING!
PLEASE LISTEN TO ME!

I HAVE NO-ONE ELSE BUT YOU TO RELY ON


"THE MAN WITH AN AXE UNDER THE BED".
HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT IT?

WITHOUT KNOWING IT, A MAN WITH AN AXE APPEARS UNDER THE BED.
"HICCUP"
DO YOU MEAN THAT STORY?
I HEARD THE STORY FROM A FRIEND OF MINE JUST RECENTLY.
AND SO...
YOU THOUGHT IT COULD BE REAL?
I WAS A LITTLE SKEPTICAL AT FIRST
THAT MEANS...
BUT THEN, I THOUGHT THE STORY MIGHT BE POSSIBLE AFTER ALL.
AFTER THAT, WHEN I WAS ABOUT TO FALL ASLEEP...

A NOISE WOKE ME UP.
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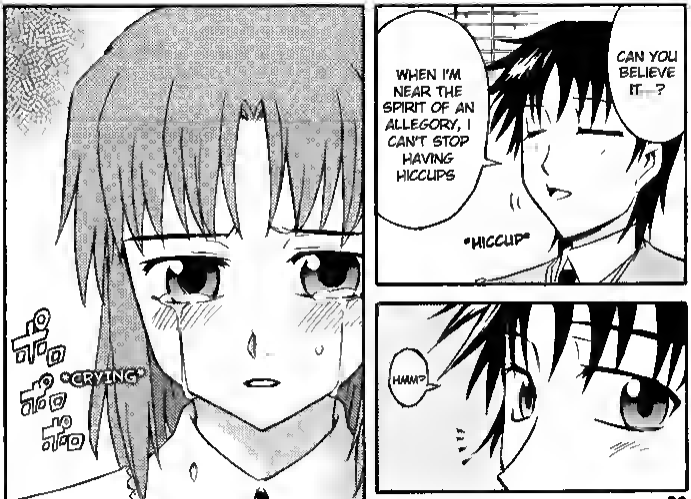
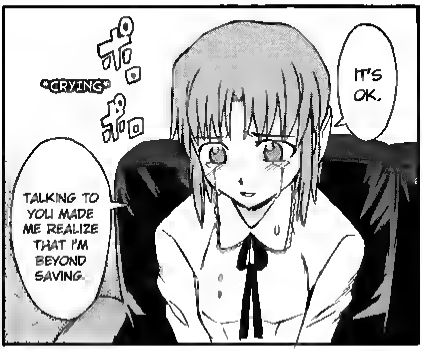
EVER SINCE THEN...
CHICCLIP
WHENEVER I TRY TO SLEEP, THAT MAN WILL DEFINITELY APPEAR JUST LIKE THAT...
I'M SO SCARED THAT I HAVEN'T SLEPT FOR GOD KNOWS HOW MANY DAYS.
THAT GUY HAS BEEN COMING OUT OF HIDING BIT BY BIT LATELY
WHO KNOWS WHEN WILL HE COME OUT COMPLETELY

YOU...
ARE BEING WORN OUT BY AN ALLEGORY.

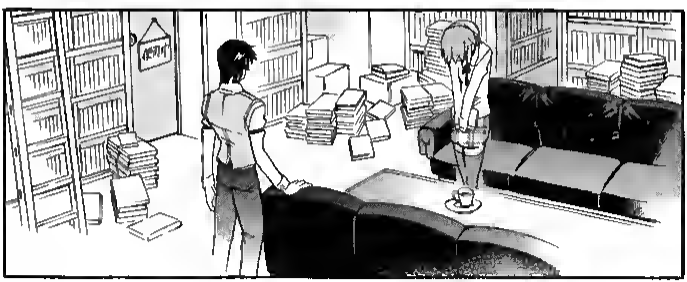
ALLEGORY
IT'S A "STORY" THAT IS KNOWN TO HAVE SUPERNATURAL POWERS.
THE "STORY" CAN TURN ITS CONTENT INTO REALITY AND POSSESS THE HUMAN BODY.


CAN YOU BELIEVE IT—?
WHEN I'M NEAR THE SPIRIT OF AN ALLEGORY, I CAN'T STOP HAVING HICCUPS
"HICCUP"
HMM?
"CRYING"

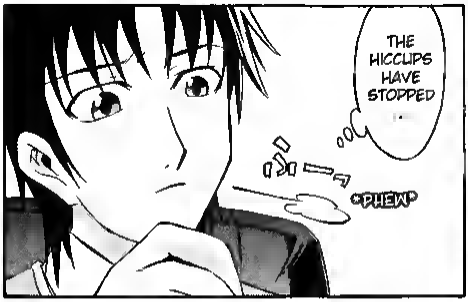
THANK GOODNESS...
HEY, ISN'T IT A LITTLE EARLY TO FEEL RELIEVED?
I HAVEN'T AGREED TO TAKE THE CASE YET.

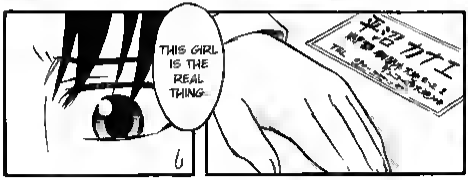

"CRYING"
IT'S OK.
TALKING TO YOU I MADE ME REALIZE THAT I'M BEYOND SAVING.

YOU BELIEVED ME
THAT'S ALL I NEED.



OFFICE

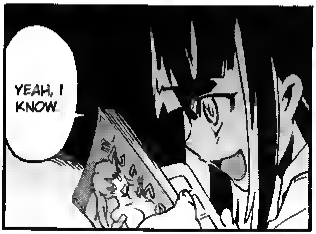

THE HICCUPS HAVE STOPPED
PHEW


THIS GIRL IS THE REAL THING

THE SIGN ON THE DOOR SAYS 'IN USE'

TITLE OF THE BOOK SHE'S HOLDING
THE EROTIC AFTERNOON

CATCH
...
HERE.
AND YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT IT'S NOT HEALTHY TO SURROUND YOURSELF WITH EROMANGA

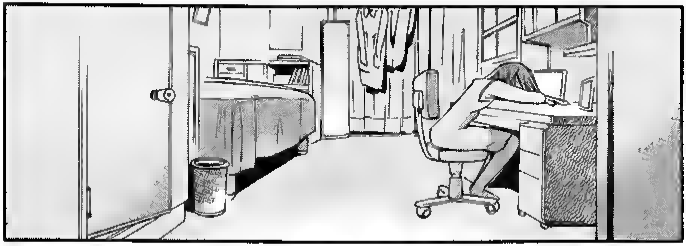

YEAH, I KNOW.

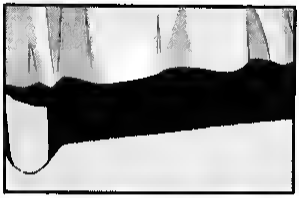
DIALING
LET ME MAKE IT CLEAR.
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M WORRIED ABOUT HER OR ANYTHING

SHE'S NOT PICKING UP.

BLEH
BESIDES THAT, IT'S JUST AS I THOUGHT!
TYPICAL GIRLS DON'T READ EROMANGA.
JUST YOU.

HEY!
DON'T TELL ME...!





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ASOU!
OPEN
THAT GIRL MUST HAVE FALLEN ASLEEP!
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ドッドン

IT'S NOT FAR FROM HERE SO GO TAKE A LOOK
SHE'S PROBABLY AT HOME

SHIT!
THIS MUST BE PUNISHMENT FOR WHAT I SAID EARLIER!
VROOM

LIKE I SAID, I REALLY DETEST ALLEGORIES !!!
PULL
ROOM 301.
SHUT
!
HIC-CUP

DAMMIT!
OPEN
IT'S ALREADY STARTED!
HICCUP
パン
301
パン
HICCUP
BAM

TOILET

MR. DETECTIVE?
WHY ARE YOU...
あせっ
IDIOT !!
BEHIND YOU!
HUH ?!

HIH?
HIT

SOUND OF WATER FLOWING
YOU HAD A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH JUST BECAUSE THE RESTROOM WAS NEAR.
HANAKO, I'LL LEAVE HER TO YOU.
"HICCUP"
GOT IT!
THAT WAS THE 38TH TIME
HANAKO
WHAT?
BOTH ASOU
AND YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE ALLEGORY POSSESSING THE BODY.
JUST LIKE YOU, HE'S ALSO BEING POSSESSED BY TWO ALLEGORIES

BANG
BANG
BANG
THE FIRST IS "HAVE ONE HUNDRED CONSECUTIVE HICCUPS AND YOU WILL ."
GRIN
DIE?
THAT'S RIGHT, DEAD.
AHAHAHA
WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER ONE ..?
THE OTHER ONE IS ...
AH, THAT'S AO!
HICCUP
DIE.

I'M...
GONNA BE KILLED BY THE LIKES OF YOU ?
HA
HA
HA
HA
...
WHO ARE YOU?
HICCUP

FOLKLORE DETECTIVE ...
ASOU DAISUKE.

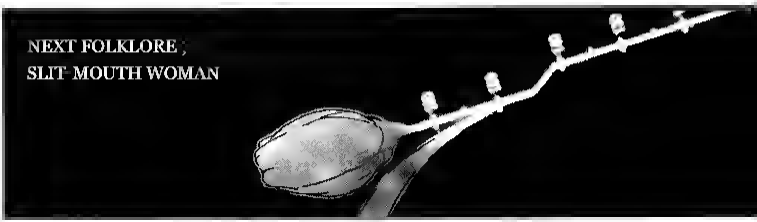
BANG
44!
HIC...
WELL, NOT BAD I GUESS
THE OTHER ALLEGORY
IT'S THAT HANAKO.
YO!
HA.NA KO
HANAKO...
HANAKO?
RESTROOM ?

HANAKO-SAN OF THE RESTROOM.
TEE HEE...

SO?
亜想探偵事務所
I'LL DEFINITELY PAY YOU NOW THAT YOUR JOB IS DONE...
BUT YOU SEE...
I DON'T HAVE THE MONEY RIGHT NOW...

PLEASE LET ME WORK HERE!
NYA NYA
HEY, THOSE ARE PREMIUM COLLEC...!
AH...
WHY DID IT TURN OUT THIS WAY?
"SOUND OF THINGS FALLING"

HOW DID IT BECOME A "STORY" LIKE THIS?


NEXT FOLKLORE ;
SLIT-MOUTH WOMAN

トイレの花子さん (HANAKO-SAN OF THE RESTROOM)

One of the well known school ghost stories in Japan, especially among elementary school students. There are many versions of this story so I'll just tell you one of them.

Several conditions must be met to encounter her:

1) The location must be the ladies' room of an elementary school

2) The doors inside must be closed before midnight and you must enter the restroom alone, around 1 to 3 a.m.

3) Knock at the doors, starting from the one nearest to the entrance and shout "Hanako-san, are you done yet?"

4) Try the next doors until you hear a girl's voice replying "Not yet."

5) Knock and ask the same question after a few minutes, you will get the same reply.

6) Do it for the last time, you will hear "I'm done." and the door will open just a bit.

7) Push it and you will find a little girl with burn scars on her face. With a smile, she'll say "I've found you."

8) If you don't run away immediately, she will drag you into the room. The door will be shut and that's the end for you.

*Picture taken from Shinsei Toire no Hanako-san

ベットの下の斧を持ったの男
(THE MAN WITH AN AXE UNDER THE BED)

I have never heard of this story before, but I did manage to find something from a Japanese urban legends website.

There was a university student (Girl A) who went to her senior (Girl B)'s house to play. Both of them were quite close and since it was already late after all the talking, Girl B invited Girl A to stay over at her place. Seeing that she can still catch the last train home, Girl A refused the offer. On her way to the station, she suddenly realized that the key to her apartment was left at Girl B's place, so she went back to get it.

After pressing the door bell a few times and no reply, Girl A entered the house as it was not locked. Girl B's room was pitch black so Girl A thought she had already slept. Since she could remember where she had placed the key and also how well she knows the room's structure, Girl A didn't on the lights. She then left after retrieving the key.

On the next day, Girl A went back with the intention to apologise for being rude and also to invite Girl B to a meal. Never would she had thought that, in front of her house were two police cars. As a friend of the victim, the police let her inside and what she saw were words written on the wall in blood, next the body of Girl B.

Aren't you glad that you didn't on the lights?"

That's right, the killer was hiding under the bed while Girl A was searching for her key. She would have been killed as well if she had on the lights.

*In this case, it's The Woman Under The Bed...

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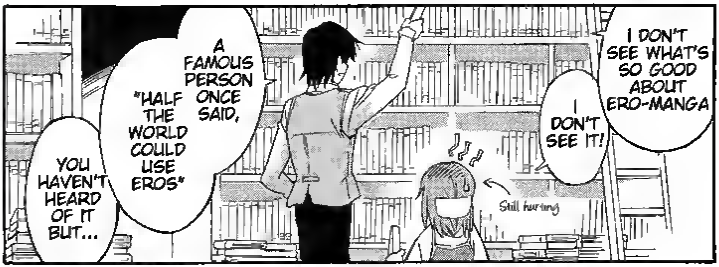
DETECTIVE ASOU'S OFFICE

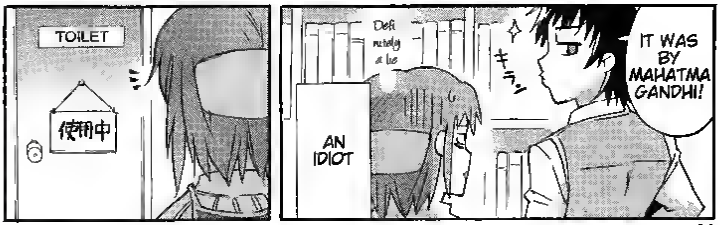
AT ANY RATE...
I OUGHT TO SORT ALL THESE EROMANGA...
IT'S NOT ALRIGHT
AL-RIGHT, HERE IT GOES!
TOAAA! NO, NO

WHAT WERE YOU DOING JUST NOW?
ギッ
Good morning
AH, AHAHA YOU WOKE UP ASOU-SAN
THANKS FOR THE GREETING, BUT STOP THAT HAND
ギッ
スゥ...

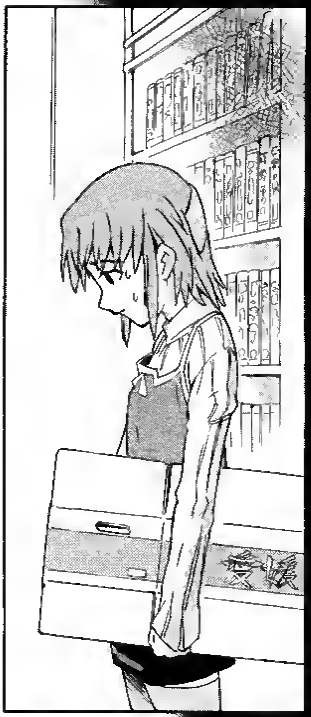
DETECTIVE ASSISTANT HIRANUMA KANAE
HOW CAN A VISITOR COME IN WITH ALL THESE EROMANGA LYING ABOUT!
WHY ARE YOU PACKING MY ERO-MANGA!
BUT-!
MY NAME IS HIRANUMA KANAE

HM!
I RECENTLY BECAME THE ASSISTANT OF THE "ASOU DETECTIVE AGENCY"
AND THIS PERSON IS THE CHIEF HERE
Hurting
"ASOU DAISUKE" -SO TO SPEAK
HEN-TAI!


I DON'T SEE WHAT'S SO GOOD ABOUT ERO-MANGA
I DON'T SEE IT!
Still hurting
A FAMOUS PERSON ONCE SAID, "HALF THE WORLD COULD USE EROS"
YOU HAVEN'T HEARD OF IT BUT...
EROS IS A GREEK GOD


TOILET
使用中
Definitely a lie
IT WAS BY MAHATMA GANDHI!
AN IDIOT

Chun?
HANAKO-CHAN...?
COLLA-PSED
SEEMS LIKE SHE SPENT HER WHOLE NIGHT MODIFYING HER PROGRAM
TOILET
AND ONE MORE PERSON...
使用中
IN USE
IT'S SURE USEFUL
ALLEGORY ...
THE "ANTI-ALLEGORY PROGRAM"
AND ...
Program?



AN "ALLEGORY" IS

A TALE THAT WILL MYSTERIOUSLY COME TRUE IF YOU REALLY BELIEVE IN IT

I WAS CHASED BY MY BELIEF IN THE STORY OF "THE MAN UNDER THE BED" WHEN ASOU-SAN SAVED ME

REMEMBER THE PLAN WHEN THE VISITORS COME, KANAE
BUT IT DIDN'T DRAG ON FOREVER
SO, TODAY IS...
I, I KNOW "ANSWER THEIR REQUEST" RIGHT
MY FIRST JOB
TWO HOURS BEFORE
I RECEIVE THEM?

A boy and a girl
THERE'RE TWO VISITORS TODAY
WE'LL COVER THEM AS PLANNED
YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF THE GIRL'S SIDE KANAE
RELAX, IF SOMEONE WITH AN ALLEGORY COMES AND TROUBLES US AGAIN
FIRST CONFIRM THE CONTENT
INVESTIGATE ABOUT THE BOYFRIEND
I want to eat...
OI OI
LOVE TALK !?

IT CAME FROM THE BOY
WHAT WAS IT?
I DON'T UNDERSTAND HIS WORDS AT ALL
It was by phone
"BEAUTIFUL" AND "NOT BEAUTIFUL"?
WHAT STRANGE WORDS

ASOU-SAN YOUR HICCLIPS...
NOT-HING
IF ASOU-SAN NEARS AN ALLE-GORY HE'LL HAVE UNCO-NTROLLABLE HICCUPS...
THEN THIS...
UMM

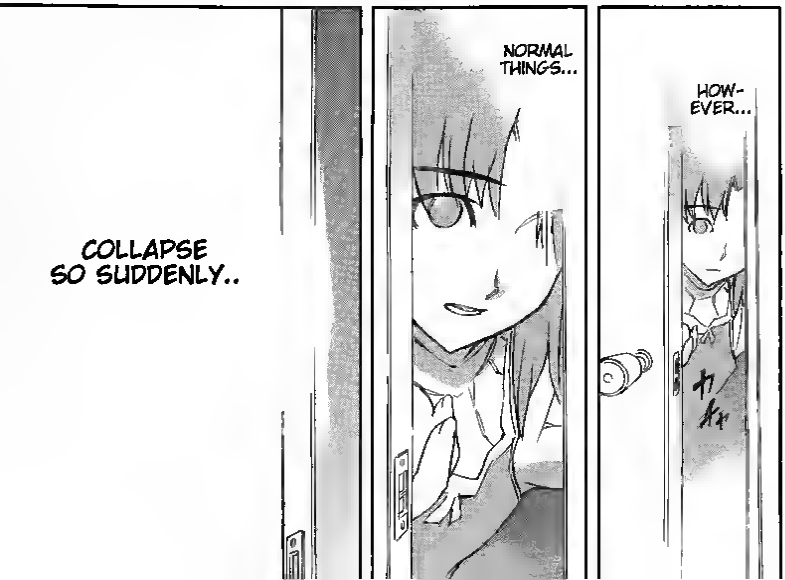
I'M NOT REALLY PREPARED THIS TIME

EH?
ERM,
A NORMAL GUEST!
Now now let's go in

NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT...

PLEASE WAIT...

AH, OK
KANAE BRING YOUR GUEST TO THE BACK


COLLAPSE SO SUDDENLY..
NORMAL THINGS...
HOW-EVER...

...PLEASE COME IN AS APPOINTED ...
I'M OOGAMI
ガチ...

MY GIRLFRIEND IS BEHAVING STRANGELY
WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?
...PERHAPS I SHOULD KILL HER...
EH?
NO ONE WOULD BELIEVE IN THAT SORT OF THING...
I HEARD RUMORS ABOUT THIS OFFICE ON THE NET...

I HEARD THAT THE ALLEGORY DETECTIVE, ASOU DAISUKE, WAS HERE
THE ASOU DETECTIVE AGENCY
TO SOLVE UNBELIEVABLE MYSTERY CASES

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE STORY OF THE "KUCHI-SAKE ONNA"

WA-
WAIT
THEN YOUR REQUEST IS-!

RECENTLY MY BOY-FRIEND'S BEHAVING STRAN-GELY
...HERE, I'LL MAKE TEA NOW
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BUT WE DON'T HAVE RED TEA
THAT MASK, DID YOU CATCH A COLD?
...?
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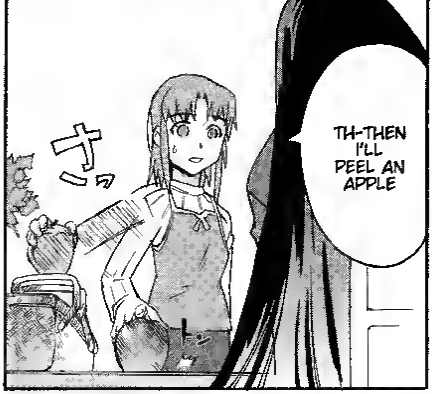
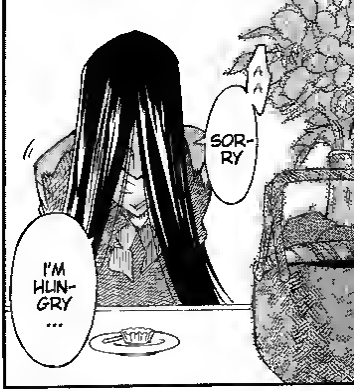
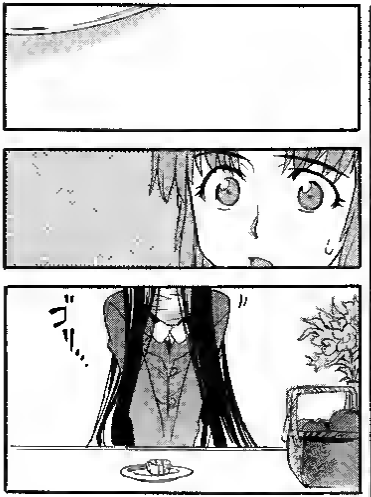

TH-THEN I'LL PEEL AN APPLE


SOR-RY
I'M HUN-GRY ...

I'M NOT CUTE SO...
DON'T LOOK AT MY FACE
Knife knife.



THA-T'S
...?

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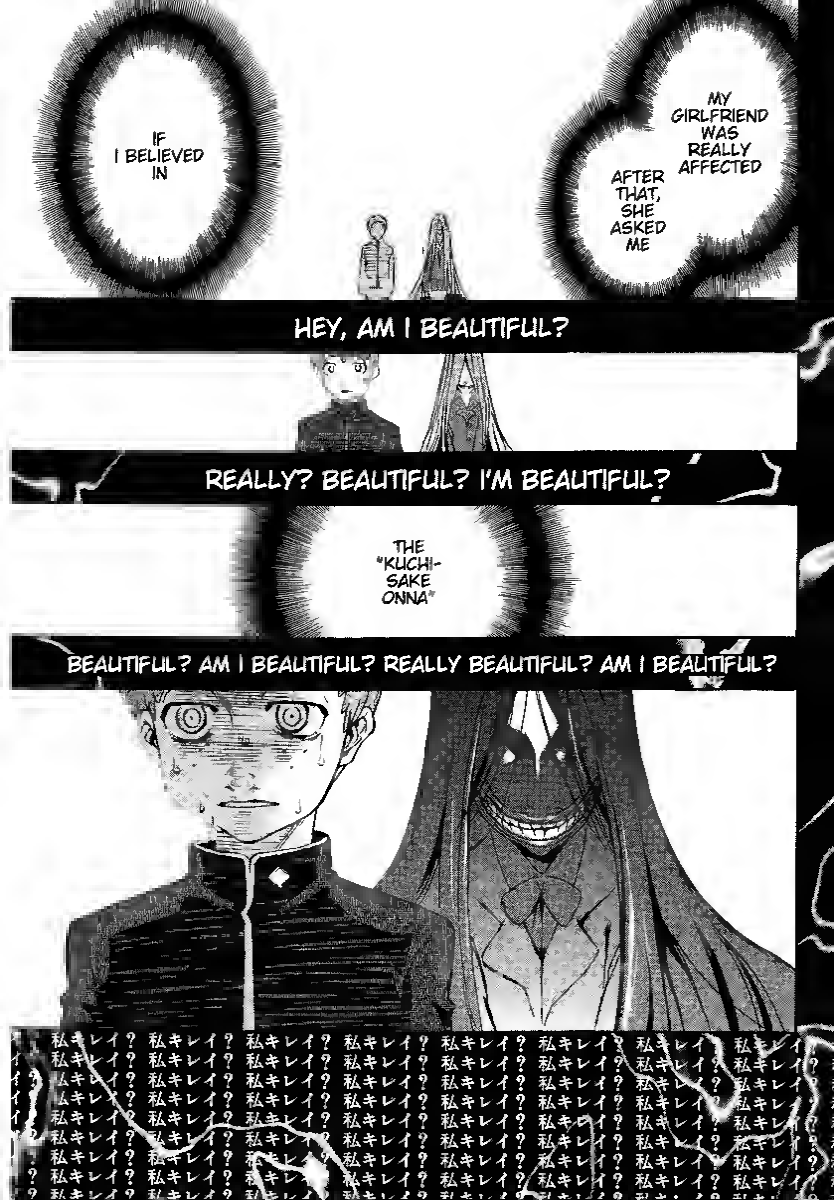
MY GIRL-FRIEND HAS A COMPLEX BECAUSE HER MOUTH IS BIG
OF COURSE I DIDN'T REALLY CARE
BUT THAT DAY...

WHAT, NISHINO, YOU GOT A GIRL-FRIEND?
YOUR FIRST ONE?
ISN'T SHE CLUMSY?
THAT BIG-MOUTHED GIRL
Hahaha
BUT LOOK
Ha, so you grew up
TO BE A LITTLE HONEST
THAT'S JUST LIKE THE
"KUCHISAKE ONNA"


IF I BELIEVED IN
MY GIRLFRIEND WAS REALLY AFFECTED
AFTER THAT, SHE ASKED ME
HEY, AM I BEAUTIFUL?
REALLY? BEAUTIFUL? I'M BEAUTIFUL?
THE "KUCHI-SAKE ONNA"
BEAUTIFUL? AM I BEAUTIFUL? REALLY BEAUTIFUL? AM I BEAUTIFUL?
私キレイ？

AM
I
BEAUTI-
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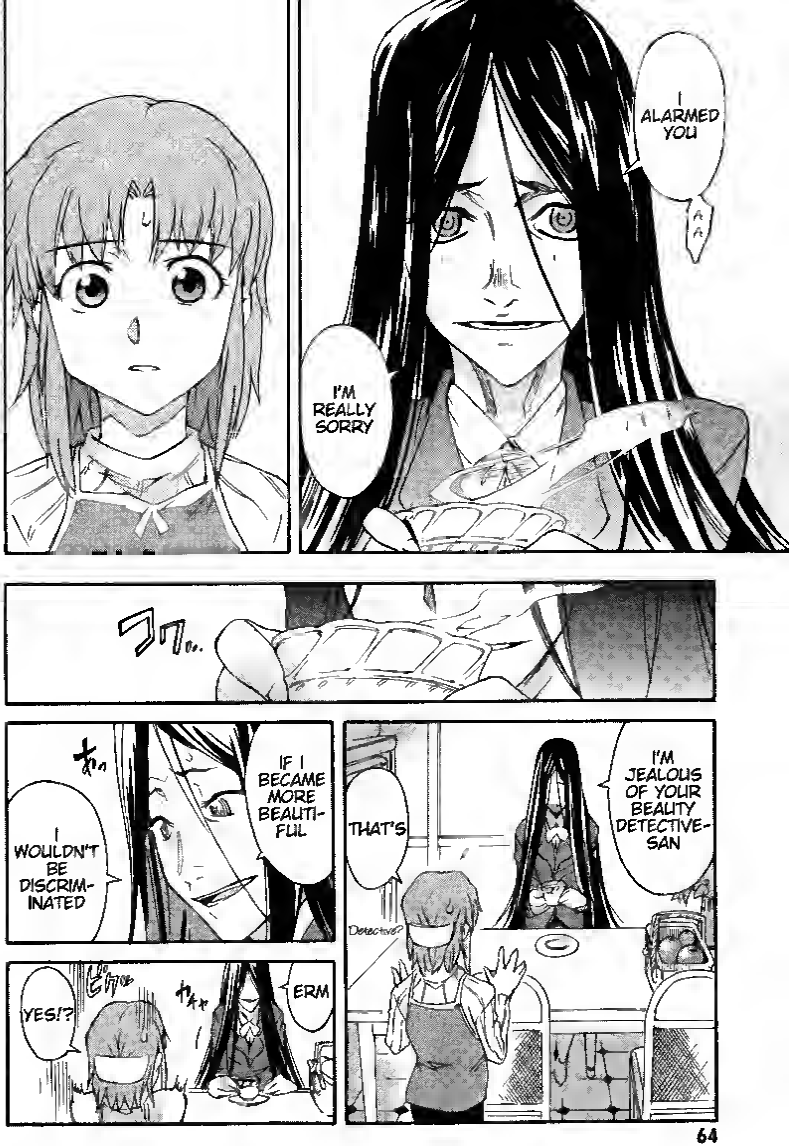
YOUR GIRLFRIEND WAS POSSESSED BY AN ALLEGORY
...LLE-GORY?
...BUT THAT STORY
I WANT SOME CONFIRM-ATION


I ALARMED YOU
I'M REALLY SORRY
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I'M JEALOUS OF YOUR BEAUTY DETECTIVE-SAN
THAT'S
Detective?
IF I BECAME MORE BEAUTIFUL
I WOULDN'T BE DISCRIMINATED
ERM
YES!?

TOILET ...
THE GUEST'S WASHROOM IS ALONG THE CORRIDOR
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EH?
NO GOOD, MY HANDS CAN'T BEAR IT ANYMORE
I NEED HELP FROM ASOU-SAN...

DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT YOUR GIRLFRIEND IS BEAUTIFUL, OR NOT?
EH
AH, NO, THAT'S
THAT

YO
AS I THOU GHT...
YOU DIDN'T THINK THAT I WAS BEAUTI-FUL...
...SACHI!

AHAHAHA
WHY ARE YOU HERE ...
IT- IT'S DIFFE- RENT NOW!
THE HICCUPS!
!
HIC
HA!
HA HA HA...
I...
BEAUTI- FUL, I THINK YOU'RE BEAUTI- FUL

RYOU-ICHI
...
THE AIR IS BEING TORN APART...
AM I BEAUTIFUL?
...YOU
YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL

EVEN LIKE
THIIISSSS!

SACHI!!
...SACHI

BIBIBIBIBI
BIG TROUBLE ASOU-SAN!
AH!
THE OFFICE!
NOT THAT!
BOOK
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使用中
IS THIS UPROAR!
JUST WHAT THE HECK
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使用中

HANAKO-CHAN!
CHAN?

WE SHOULD CHANGE THE VENUE
ABOUT THE STORY OF THE KUCHI-SAKE ONNA ...
THE GIRL-FRIEND WILL DEFINITELY RETURN FOR RYOUICHI-KUN
IF SO WE SHOULD MOVE TO AN ADVANTA-GEOUS LOC-ATION NOW
I'LL USE MY ANTI-ALLEGORY PROGRAM TO FIND ONE

WHAT W S THAT ABOUT MY GIRL-FRIEND?
ERM ...
How should I put it
YOUR GIRL-FRIEND'S POSSE-SSED BY THE KUCHI-SAKE ONNA
MY ASOU IS ALSO POSSE-SSED
BY "HANAKO-SAN OF THE TOILET"
EH?
ASOU-SAN'S POSSESSED BY TWO ALLEGORIES
AND ONE MORE "HICCUP CONTI-NUOUSLY FOR A HUNDRED TIMES... AND YOU DIE"

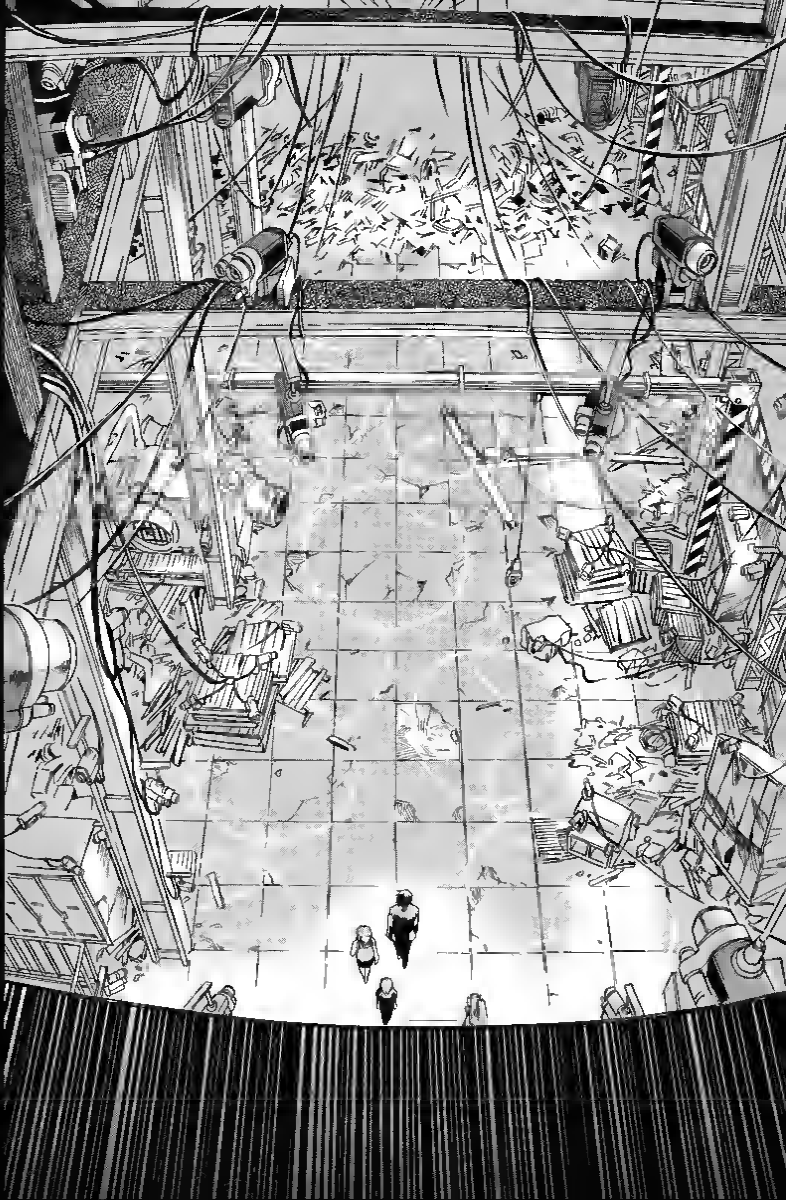
THAT'S WHY HE'S AN ALLEGORY DETECTIVE

IT'S USE-LESS
CAN'T YOU END IT BY ANSWER-ING "BEAU-TIFUL?"

SAY IT IN 30 WORDS
ERM... I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS BUT

IN THE STORY OF THE KUCHISAKE ONNA
ANSWERING EITHER "BEAUTIFUL" OR "NOT BEAUTIFUL"
WILL GET YOU TORN APART
ALTHOUGH HANAKO IS PREPARING SOME TRICKS...

IT'S LIMITED BY THE WOMAN'S COMPLEX
THERE REALLY ISN'T A WAY TO SOLVE IT...
HOW AM I ABLE TO HELP...
MAKE YOUR FEELINGS SINCERE
THAT'S A WAY TOO



NN, IN 30 SECONDS.
HANAKO -CHAN, HERE?
YOU'RE LATE!
SHE'S ON HER WAY
THERE'S A SENSOR

NUMEROUS SIMILAR OBJECTS HAVE BEEN LAIN AROUND
EACH OF THE WHITE LINES EXTEND THE SENSOR'S RANGE
AND THE CEILING FELL...
I WANT ASOU TO CLIMB UP THERE
THAT'S ABSURDLY HIGH AND WORN-OUT
OI
I'll die if I fall!

THE ANTI-ALLEGORY PROGRAM USES "VISUALIZE DOWN"
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Had to climb up
BUT WHAT NOW?
I'm gonna die
Ha!
Ha!
Ha!
WE CAN USE THE STORY'S LOGIC THIS TIME
LOGIC?
WE CAN'T KILL THE STORY UNLIKE LAST TIME
ASOU, BEING ASOU, WOULD HAVE CONSIDERED THAT BUT ...

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"STORIES ONLY EXIST WITHIN HUMANS"
THE DREAMING PERSON
WILL ONLY AFFECT THOSE AROUND HER

IN OTHER WORDS NONHUMAN THINGS LIKE ANIMALS THAT ARE VITAL TO THE NATURAL WORLD CAN'T SEE ALLEG-ORIES
THEY AREN'T SUPPOSED TO EXIST IN THE FIRST PLACE
ONLY HUMANS BELIEVE IN ALLE-GORIES
SO
SO?
THAT'S THE FIRST HINT
EEHH !?
I DON'T UNDER-STAND!
YOUR IGNORANCE ISN'T THE FAULT OF OTHERS

IT MAY HAVE PREVENTED THIS
IN THE FIRST PLACE
IF YOU HAD DEALT WITH THE TALK WITH THE GIRLFRIEND PROPERLY
BUT THAT'S A "MAY"...
HOW AM I ABLE TO HELP SACHI?
YOU SHOULD SAY WHAT YOU REALLY THINK

LYING WILL ONLY HURT YOUR GIRL-FRIEND

SHE'S COM-ING

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WHAT
!!?

THE SENSOR NETWORK WAS CUT!
EEH?
80% OF THE SCANNERS ARE DEAD...
HAA!

NO!
SACHI!

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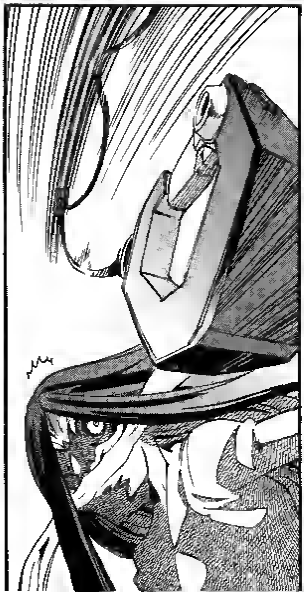
ICHI-
KUN!



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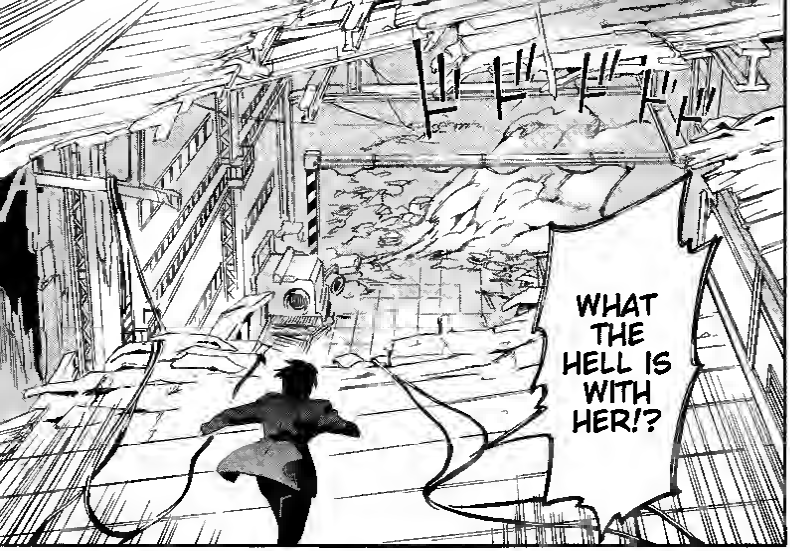
WHAT THE HELL IS WITH HER!?

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THE LAD-DER ...

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO JUMP AND FLY FOR ABOUT 10 METRES
IF I FALL DOWN FROM THIS HEIGHT I'LL DIE
I'LL DIE...
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IF I WERE AN ORDINARY HUMAN

I STILL CAN'T GET HER IN THE SCANNER ...
WHAT NOW HANAKO-CHAN!
WAIT FOR THE TRUMP CARD
T-TRUMP CARD?
ASOU
ASOU-SAN CAN'T COME HERE!
THAT'S NOT TRUE
THAT GUY IS UNEXPECTEDLY USEFUL

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FAST!
HIC

KU...
HE'S FIGHTING EVENLY WITH THE KUCHISAKE-ONNA...
OF COU-RSE
HE IS THE FOLKLORE DETECTIVE AFTER ALL

NOPE!
...ASOU-SAN!
I CAUGHT YOU!!!

WE CAUGHT HER IN OUR RANGE!
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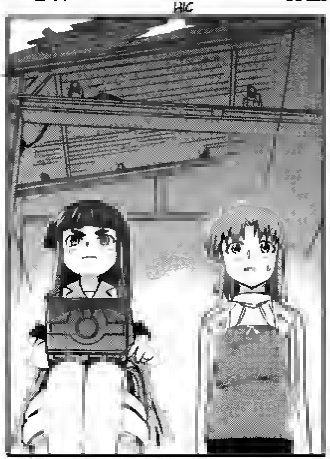
IF THAT PERSON WAKES UP YOU'LL BE RIPPED INTO PIECES
...
Grrr!

IS YOUR GIRL-FRIEND BEAUTI-FUL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RYOU-ICHI-KUN.
IS SHE BEAUTIFUL?
I COM-PROMISED
Ha...

IT'S TRUE THAT MY GIRLFRIEND MAY NOT BE BEAUTIFUL

I ONLY WANTED TO GET ON WITH A GIRL
I CHOSE SOMEONE OF THE SAME CLASS AS ME

I COM-
PROMISED
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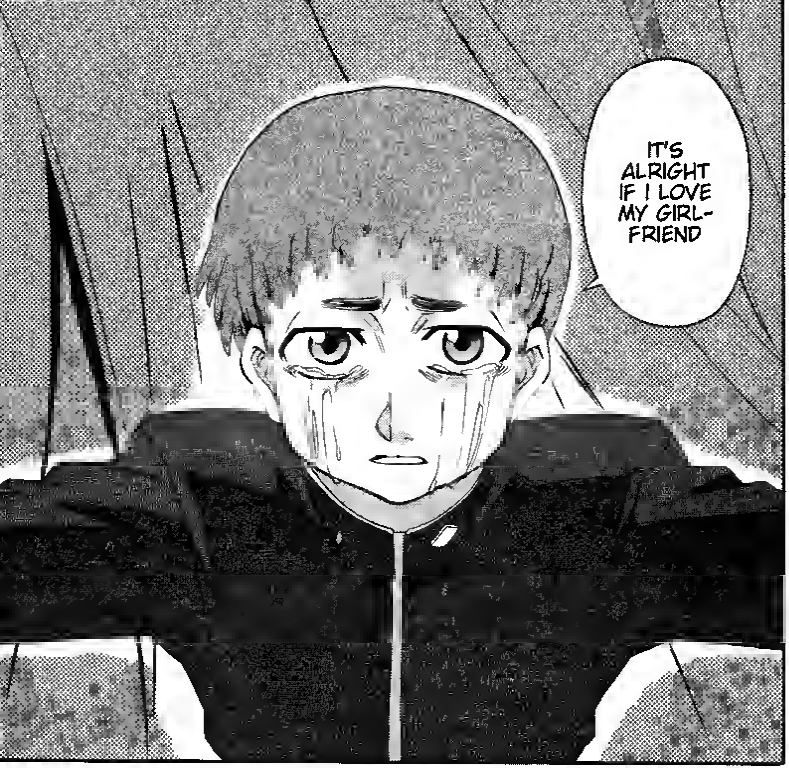
...BUT
RELA-
TION-
SHIPS
AREN'T
JUST
ABOUT
CUTE-
NESS
I LIKED
THE
FRIED
VEGE-
TABLES
SHE
MADE
They were delicious
WHEN
WAS
IT

THAT I CAME TO LOVE MY GIRLFRIEND
BEFORE I KNEW IT MY GIRLFRIEND DIDN'T EXIST ANYMORE... SHE BECAME SOMETHING ELSE
IT WAS AROUND THAT TIME WHEN SACHI CHANGED
IT'S ALRIGHT


IT'S ALRIGHT IF I LOVE MY GIRL-FRIEND

IT'S INDEED ALRIGHT

SACHI ...

RATHER, THE SENSOR'S SIGHT DOESN'T SEE THEIR ALLEGORY FORMS
ONLY HUMANS BELIEVE IN ALLEGORIES
THAT'S WHY THE SIGHT OF NON-HUMAN THINGS ...
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解析完了
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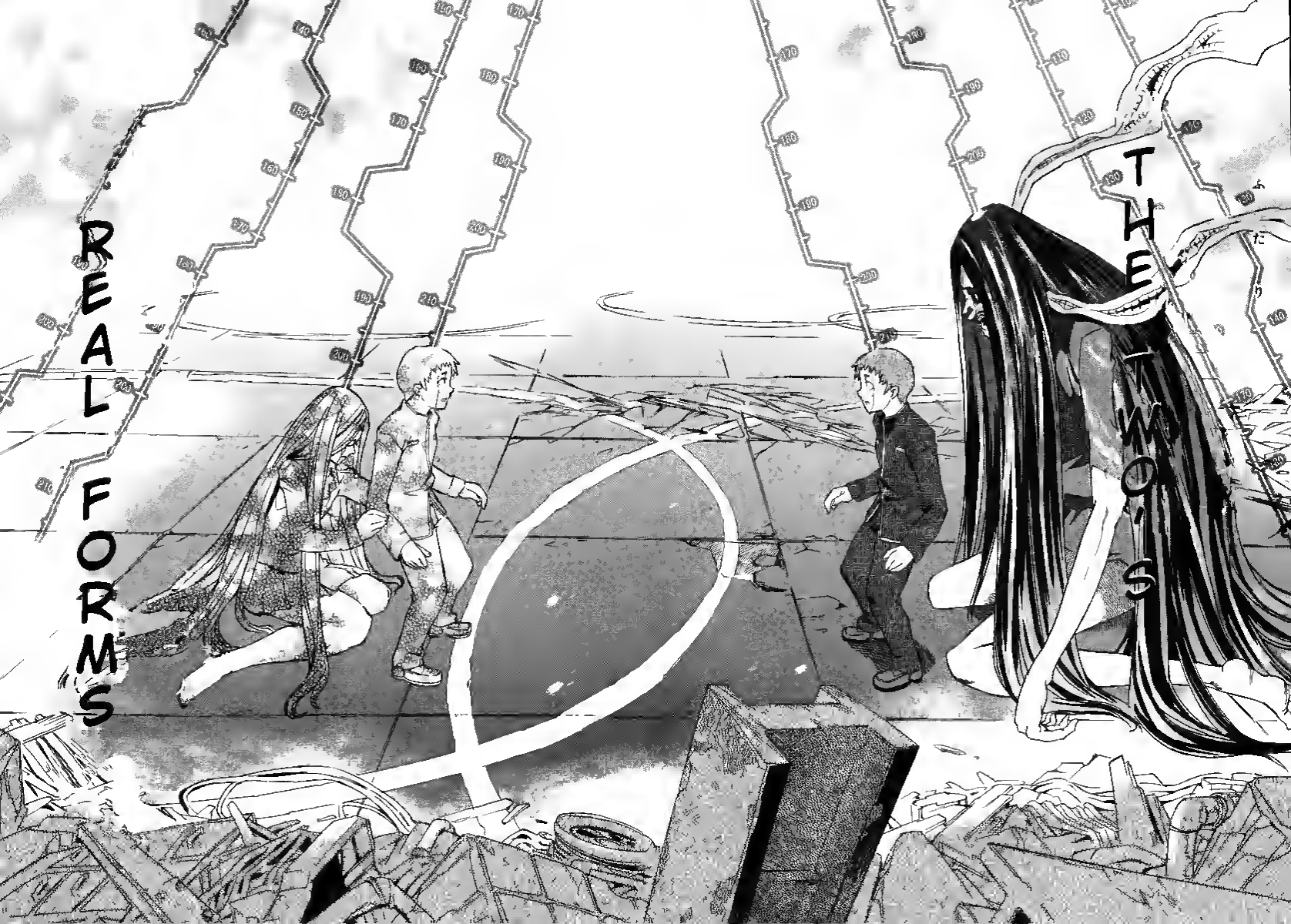
THE TWO'S TRUE FORMS
"VISUALIZE DOWN" SKETCHES OUT THAT FORM
YOU OUGHT TO REMEMBER THEM
THE TWO OF YOU LOST SIGHT OF YOUR TRUE FORMS
IN THAT CASE


REAL FORMS
THE TWO'S

THE KUCHI-SAKE ONNA IS GONE
AND THE ALLEGORY IS NO MORE
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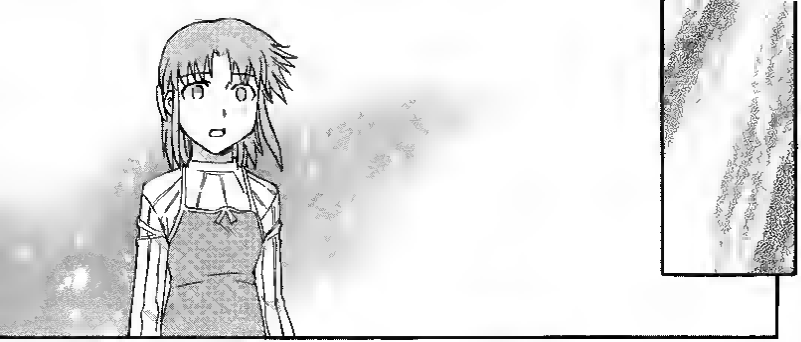
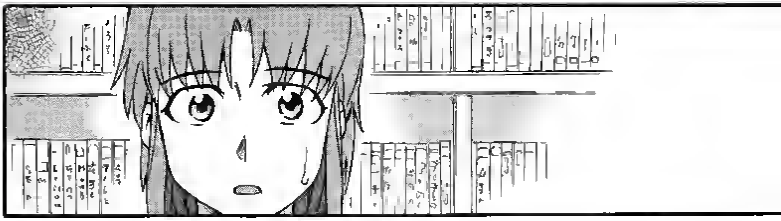


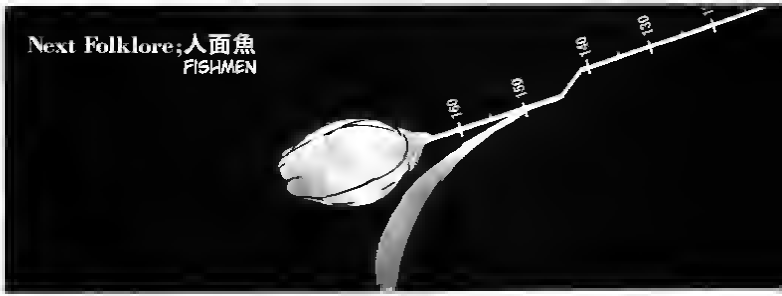
AND THE DREAM REACHES FULL CIRCLE...

EH

Is this real?
WHAT, THE OFFICE WAS RESTOR-ED?

You could call it a reversal.
SO THE "TRUTH" OF THE OFFICE'S DAMAGE WAS NEGATED
THE KUCHI-SAKE ONNA IS GONE




Next Folklore;人面魚
FISHMEN

RECENTLY, AT TOWANAKO A FIELD TRIP BUS HAD MET WITH AN ACCIDENT...
LIVE
THE BUS FELL FROM THE CLIFF INTO THE LAKE
FIELD TRIP BUS ACCIDENT
KEEP OUT
WE ARE CURRENTLY TRYING TO RECOVER THE BODIES OF THE STUDENTS
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WAIT A SECOND, ASOU-SAN, HANAKO-CHAN!
TOWA-NOKA? THAT'S NEAR
IF YOU DON'T EAT THE CLAMS THEN THERE'S NO MEANING TO THE SPAG-HETTI
REA-LLY
SPEAKING OF TOWA-NAKO...
TOWANAKO? IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY ...
THAT'S SO CHILDISH
I HATE SHELL-FISH
What should I do

9:31
YEARS AGO THERE WAS POPULAR TALK ABOUT THE REPORTS OF FISHMEN IN THE LAKE
DISASTER!
FIELD TRIP BUS INCIDENT
MAYBE THERE WERE SIGHT-INGS OF FISHMEN
THAT'S STUPID, THINGS LIKE FISHMEN
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FUU
HANAKO HATES ANIMALS
ANYWAY, IT SEEMS THAT THE BODIES HAVE FLOATED ASHORE
OUT OF THE 40 STUDENTS, 38 HAVE DIED...
HATES ANIMALS?

I HATE BOTH SHELLFISH AND FISHMEN
ONE PERSON IS MISSING...
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WITH ONLY ONE KNOWN SURVIVOR, IT'S REALLY A DISASTER...
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IT'S BECOME A GRAVE INCIDENT

Folklore;
人面魚 —前編—
FISHMEN -FIRST PART-

I REALLY CAN'T GET USED TO THE OFFICE...
ASOU-SAN AND HANAKO-CHAN AND THE WEIRD PEOPLE...
EH, WHERE'S ASOU-SAN?
POLICE?
WHITE PUD-DING?
HE LEFT FOR A TASK WITH THE POLICE-
!
HOME-MADE ALMOND JELLY
LET'S EAT IT TOGETHER

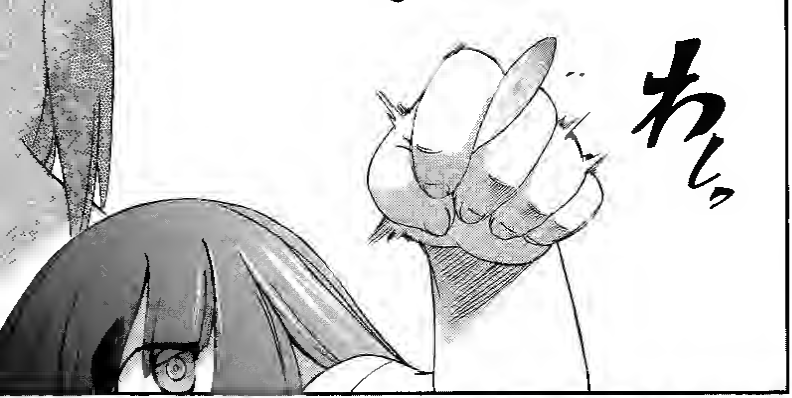
WHAT AN OLD HAUNT...

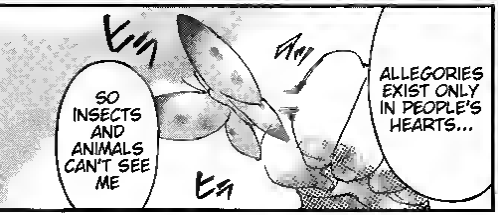
I'M BUSY
BUSY WATCHING THE CLOUDS
WAIT WHILE I'M AT IT
AREN'T YOU BUSY WATCHING TV?
...SHIBAYAMA
YOU CALL PEOPLE OUT WHILE AT IT

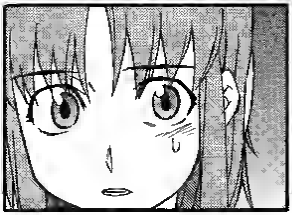
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME, ASOU

EH
ASOU-SAN WAS A POLICEMAN?
A FORMER DETECTIVE
THAT PERVERTED DETECTIVE
IS REALLY SCARY ...
I HEARD YOU
パタン
HANAKO-CHAN, YOU REALLY LIKE MACHINES HUH
BEAUTIFUL HAIR ...

THE BEAUTIFUL STRUCTURE OF THE ROTOR?
ONLY ASOU-SAN CAN UNDER-STAND HER...
LINN!
THE STAINLESS AND COLD FEELING...
THE JUMBLED CORDS...
BUT
I LIKE HUMANS THE MOST




SO INSECTS AND ANIMALS CAN'T SEE ME
ALLEGORIES EXIST ONLY IN PEOPLE'S HEARTS...



AH...
THAT'S WHY I HATE ANIMALS ...

THIS GUY
A SUDDEN VERIFI-CATION
WHAT'S THIS?

I DON'T KNOW THIS GUY...
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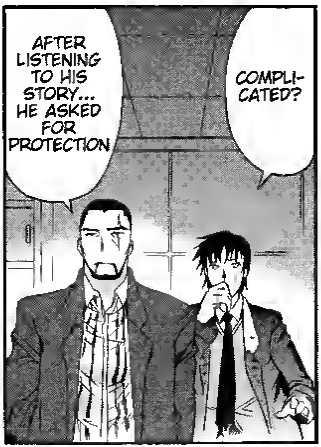
AN ALLE-GORY!
WH, WHAT KIND OF...
...AS I THOU-GHT
THAT GUY IS
THE BUS INCIDENT'S

ONLY SURVIVOR
THE NAME'S MIZUNASHI YOUSUKE
HE'S A LITTLE COMPLI-CATED

PROTECTION? FROM WHAT?


AFTER LISTENING TO HIS STORY... HE ASKED FOR PROTECTION
COMPLI-CATED?

FROM FISH
I SAW THE BOTTOM OF THE LAKE...
WHAT WAS IT

EVERYONE FROM MY CLASS WAS SINKING...
AND AT THAT TIME...
THE SCHOOL OF FISH

STRANGE-LY I WASN'T SCARED
...NO
MAYBE I COULDN'T THINK BECAUSE I WAS SLIDING TOWARDS DEATH
BUT FOR SOME REASON I BECAME AWARE OF THE FISH...
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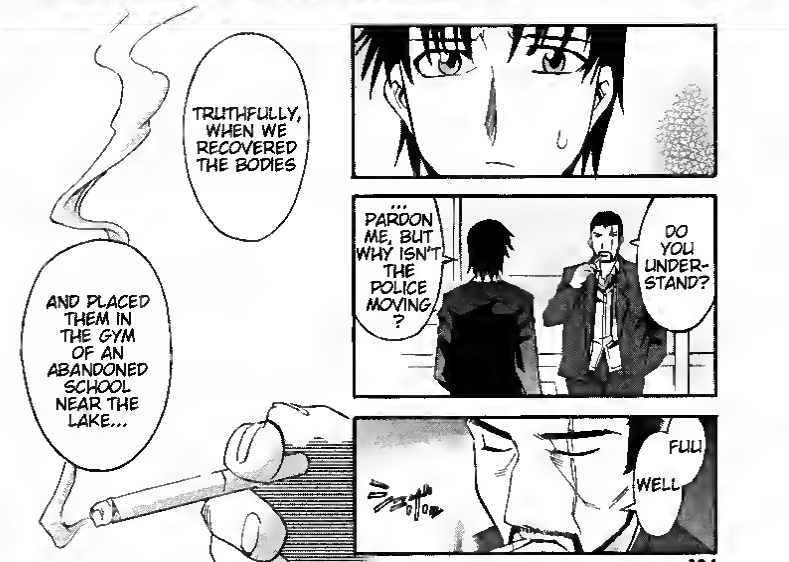
THEY WERE EATING!

I'M NOT ...
THEY-RE COM-ING!
I'M NOT DEAD YET...!

HE COULDN'T REMEMBER ANYMORE FROM THERE
WHEN HE CAME TO HE HAD BEEN WASHED ASHORE
SINCE THEN HE'S BEEN UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT HE'S BEING ATTACKED BY FISH
...AND WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO?
THIS IS AN OFFICIAL REQUEST FROM THE POLICE...
TO YOU

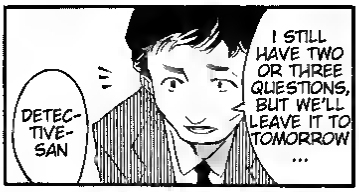
WE WANT YOU TO PROTECT MIZUNASHI FROM THE "FISH"

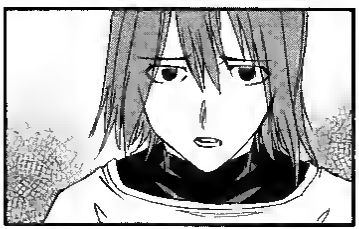

TRUTHFULLY, WHEN WE RECOVERED THE BODIES
AND PLACED THEM IN THE GYM OF AN ABANDONED SCHOOL NEAR THE LAKE...
...PARDON ME, BUT WHY ISN'T THE POLICE MOVING?
DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
FULL
WELL

ONE OF THEM WENT MISSING
...STOLEN?
THE DEPART-MENT'S IN AN UP-ROAR
IT WOULD SEEM TO BE THE FAULT OF THE POLICE
BUT ...

THE GYM WAS COMPLETELY LOCKED
THEY ESCAPED FROM THE INSIDE BY FORCING OPEN THE DOOR
WHA-WHAT'S THIS?
I DON'T KNOW
BUT A TEENAGER WITH AN ALLEGORY AND A MISSING BODY
THE TIMING IS TOO PERFECT
...ASOU

WHAT ARE THOSE FOOTPRINTS?


I STILL HAVE TWO OR THREE QUESTIONS, BUT WE'LL LEAVE IT TO TOMORROW ...
DETEC-TIVE-SAN



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I'M SORRY BUT WE STILL HAVEN'T FOUND HER YET
MIYATA SANAE-SAN IS THE LAST PERSON, WHOSE WHEREA-BOUTS ARE MISSING
MIYATA-SAN IS...
CHAIR-MAN... NO,
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...IS THAT SO ...

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PLEASE STOP IT!

WHAT
THAT'S WHY WE SHOULD LIVEN THINGS UP
WE'RE ON A FIELD TRIP!
AT A LAKE!
...MIYATA-SAN...
...MY MIYATA-SAN...
YOU'RE MY...

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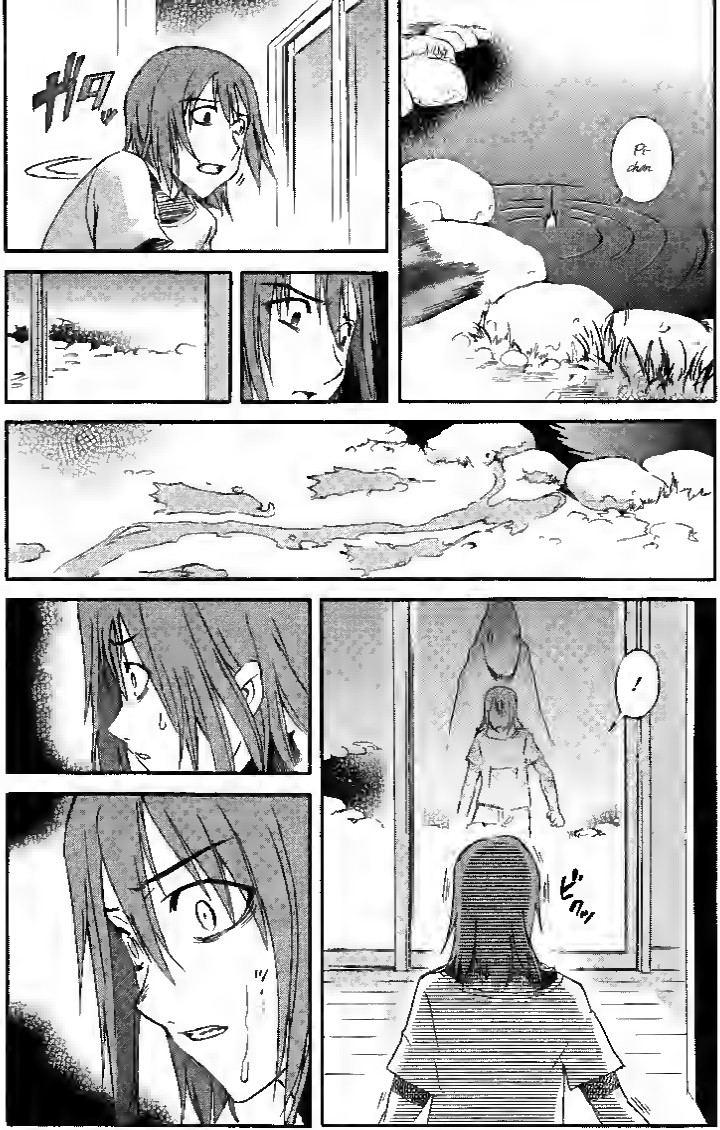
ONLY MY GIRL-FRIEND ...
!!
SHOULD BE ALIVE

THAT WHITE HAND WAS PROB-ABLY...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HOW SNEAKY...
GULU ...
...HAH
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TO SURVIVE...
FOR SOMEONE LIKE YOU...

I SEE
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P... POLICE?
NOPE
THE MISSING BODY TURNED INTO A FISHMAN

I'M A DETECTIVE
DISPATCHED BY THE POLICE
DON'T LOOK KANAE-CHAN!
REALLY... GO TO THE BACK!

NO, WELL ...
ARE YOU THAT SCARED?
?
HIC
WHAT? WHY HAVEN'T MY HICCUPS STOPPED?
HMM?
IF YOU HADN'T MADE FUN OF ME THAT SORT OF THING WOULDN'T HAVE HAPPENED!
IT'S ALL YOUR DAMN FAULT THAT MIYATA-SAN
OI, CALM DOWN-
IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT!!

Pi-chan
!
Pi-chan
ASOU-SAN!
...
Pi-chan
THIS IS WEIRD!
Pi-chan
BE-CAUSE EVERY-ONE MADE FUN OF ME...
Pi-chan
NO
DIDN'T I KILL IT...!?
Pi-chan
IT CAN'T BE!
...EVER-YONE...

EVERYONE MADE FUN OF ME...?
I SEE... IT WASN'T JUST ONE BODY...

TURNED INTO FISHMEN!!
THE WHOLE CLASS

Folklore;人面魚—前編—【了】

ASOU-SAN DIED...
HANAKO-CHAN TOO...

I'M USE-LESS...
I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING ...
ASOU-SAN HAS HIS SUPER STRENGTH
HANAKO-CHAN'S MACHINES SHE'S SO PROUD OF
I HAVE NOTHING ...
I CAN ONLY HUG THEM
I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ...

M...
THIS PLACE IS...?

Folklore:
人面魚 —後編—
FISHMEN -LAST PART-

THANK GOOD-NESS!
SEEMS LIKE YOU'VE WOKEN UP!
YOU'RE THE BUS INCIDENT'S ...MIZU-NASHI-KUN?
DID YOU SAVE ME?
... NOPE

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THEY CAME ALONG WITH YOU
THE OUTSIDE'S FULL OF THEM
WHAT DID YOU MAKE?
THIS IS AN ARROW OF REVENGE
SINCE THE POLICE AND THAT DETECTIVE CAN'T HELP US ANYMORE
...PERHAPS THEY'RE OUT TO EAT US
JUST LIKE THEY DID AT THE BOTTOM OF THE LAKE

ASOU-SAN... HANAKO-CHAN...
THAT'S RIGHT
IT CAN'T BE...
THERE'S ONLY THE TWO OF US LEFT, DO YOU WANT TO DIE!?
YOU!
IF IT'S YOU AND I, IT'D BE PERFECT
HOW ABOUT WE KILL EVERY-ONE

MIYATA-SAN
...RIGHT,
I'M HIRANUMA, YOU KNOW ...?
The missing person?
MIYATA?
WAIT, WHAT'RE YOU DOING!?
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WHA-!
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WHAT ARE YOU DOING, COME BACK TO YOUR SENSES!

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ミシ
AHA
MIYATA-SAN'S HAND...
IDIOT, RUN!

A DEAD END!?
THE ROOF ...
IS NO GOOD!
IN HERE!
MIYATA-SAN'S ASS...

ヒタ ヒタ...
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ヒタ ヒタ
THEY WENT PAST ...
GUESS WHO?
!?
WAIT! JUST WHAT ARE YOU DOI-
トサッ

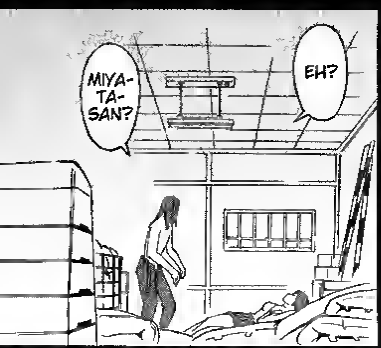
ANYWAY, LET ME SEE THEM NOW

MIYATA-SAN... PLEASE COMFORT ME...

WAI-

...PLEASE COME BACK TO YOUR SENSES...
AS I THOUGHT, YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO TAKES CARE OF ME...

!
L.I.K.E. Y.O.U. A.L.W.A.Y.S. D.O...
YOU...
MGH
JUST WHAT DID YOU... TO HER ...
JUST WHAT DID YOU DO TO HER!



I ONLY ... TOOK PITY ON YOU, MIZU-NASHI-KUN ...

YOU AREN'T THE ONE I LIKE...
LIES!

YOU'D REJECT ME...
...AS I THOUGHT
JUST WHAT ARE YOU...
YOU
SINCE THE START I HAD NO FRIENDS...
...ON THAT BUS
ONLY YOU...

...
DON'T TELL ME-!
I THOUGHT YOU WERE MY ONLY FRIEND...

!!!
DON'T TELL ME THE REASON BEHIND THE CRASH
WAS BECAUSE MIZUNASHI DID SOME-THING--
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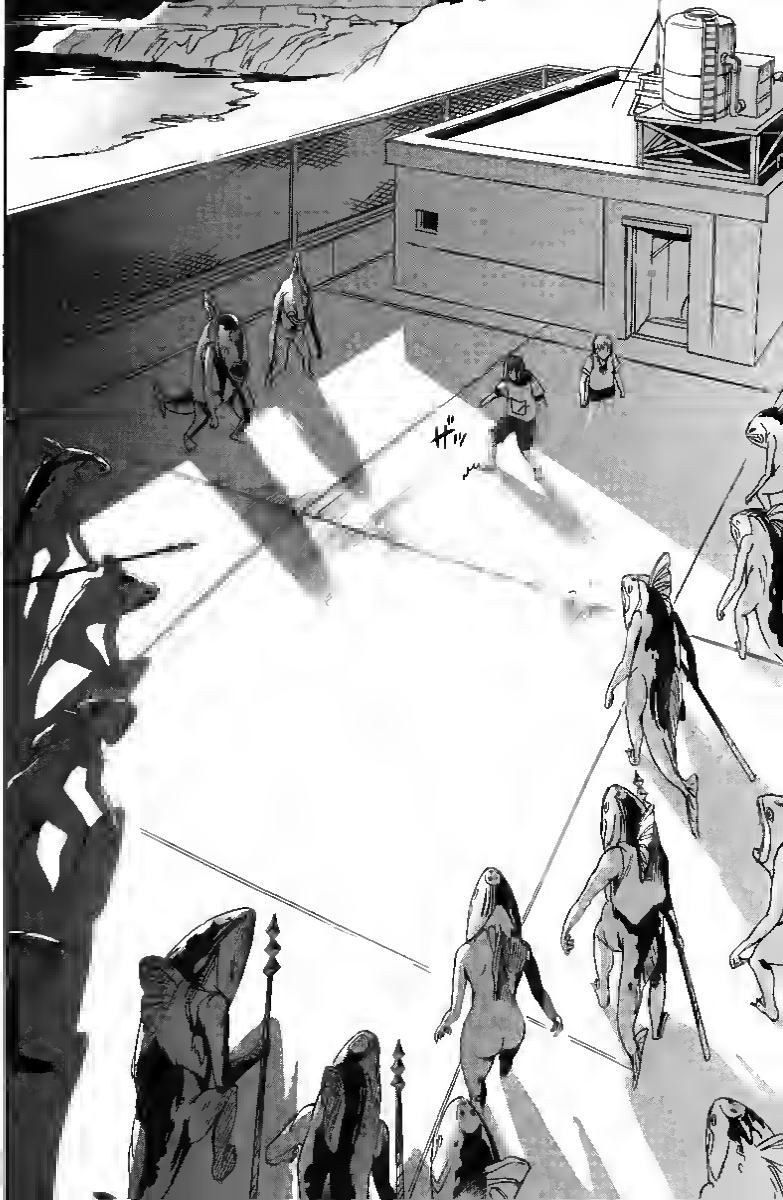
IDIOT, THAT'S!



...AH
H,
HELP ME, MIYA-TA-SAN!
WHAT IS THIS!
AHA?
IN ORDER TO SAVE THIS BAST-ARD...
HANAKO-CHAN AND...

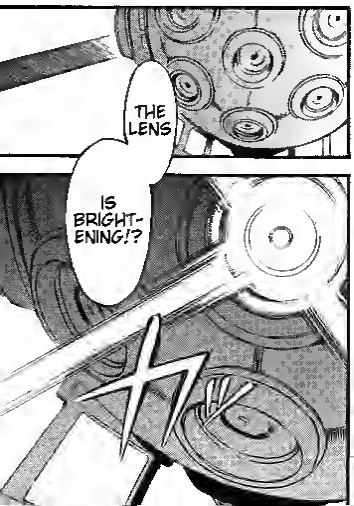
SORRY, EVERY-ONE... I CAN ONLY DO THIS MUCH...
WHO ARE YOU
AS I THO-UGHT ...

I'M USELESS

THAT HIT WAS PERFECT

Huh
DUMB BRU-TES!

THIS IS ALL THE FISH ON THE LAND!
HIC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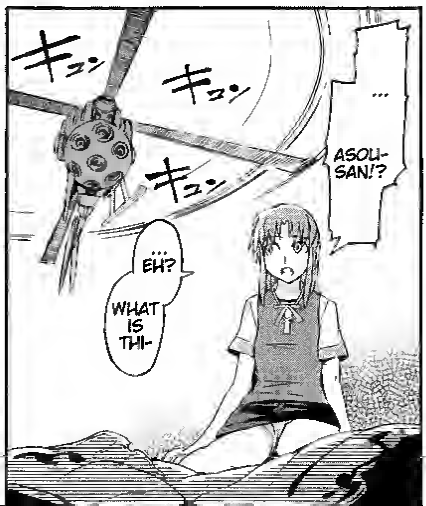
IS BRIGHT-ENING!?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...
ASOU-SAN!?
...EH?
WHAT IS THI-

HANAKO-CHAN'S "VISUALIZE DOWN"!?
FOR LOWLY FISH TO LAY THEIR HANDS ON KANAE-CHAN
YOU'RE A MILLION YEARS TOO EARLY!
Pow

HANAKO-CHAN!
ARE YOU AL-RIGHT? KANAE-CHA-
EVERY-ONE
UU
I THOU-GHT
THAT YOU WERE ALL GOOONE!!

IT'S GOOD THAT YOU'RE SAFE
BUT... HOW?
HIC
BECAUSE I'M AN ALLEGORY
AS LONG AS ASOU, MY OWNER, DOESN'T DIE, I'LL STILL BE KICKING
I couldn't move for quite a while though
LUCKILY... ASOU ONLY SUFFERED MINOR INJURIES

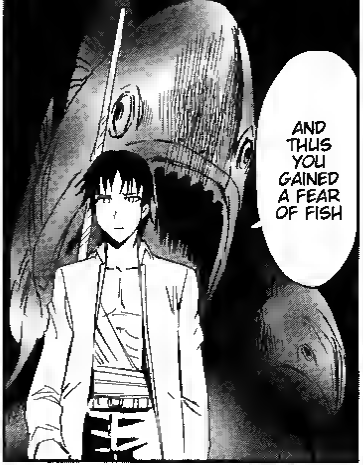
LAST TIME I CHECKED ASOU WAS PIERCED THROUGH THE HEART...
ASOU, THAT GUY...

IS DISTORTING REALITY!
THE ALLEGORY DEFEATER, "FOLKLORE DETECTIVE"
THAT MEANS ...
HIS EXISTENCE IS BECOMING CLOSER TO THAT OF AN ALLEGORY...
BUT ASOU,
IF YOU KEEP USING THAT POWER, YOU'LL....

HOORAY!
EVERY-ONE'S DEAD...
NO, NOT YET
ONLY WHEN WE DEAL WITH THE MAIN REASON WHY THE FISHMEN SPAWNED
WILL THE PROBLEM BE SOLVED?
REA-SON?
BY UNCO-VERING THE TRUTH BEHIND THE BUS ACCI-DENT

THE BUS' STEERING WHEEL HAD YOUR FINGERPRINT ON IT
THE ONE WHO INSTIGATED THE CRASH
WAS YOU?

AND YOU DECIDED TO DIE
DRAGGING THE CLASS DOWN WITH YOU
AND THAT'S HOW THE FISHMEN CAME ABOUT
BUT YOU WERE THE ONLY SURVIVOR
YOU SUFFERED FROM BULLYING


AND THUS YOU GAINED A FEAR OF FISH

FURTHER-MORE, BEING THE ONLY SURVIVOR

YOU REALISED THE MAGNITUDE OF THE TROUBLE YOU'VE CAUSED
AND WAS TORMENTED BY THAT GUILT

"THE CLASS WAS EATEN BY THE FISH"
YOU SAW THAT HAPPEN AT THE BOTTOM OF THE LAKE

"I REGRET DOING THIS TO EVERYONE IN MY CLASS"
"I AM TO BE BLAMED"
THAT HEAVY THOUGHT
COMBINED WITH YOUR FEAR OF FISH
AND YOUR LONE EXISTENCE, GAVE RISE TO

THE FISHMEN
N-
NO!
I, I DIDN'T MAKE THE BUS FALL!
...ONLY YOU KNOW THE TRUTH
PERHAPS THE TRUTH WILL BE DISTORTED IF YOU KEEP QUIET ABOUT IT
BUT

YOU WON'T BE REPAYING MIYATA SANAE THAT WAY
SHE'S DEAD
YOUR GUILT WILL ONLY INCREASE ...
WHA, WHAT'RE YOU SAYING, MIYATA-SAN'S STILL ALIVE?
YESTERDAY, AFTER YOUR HEARING...

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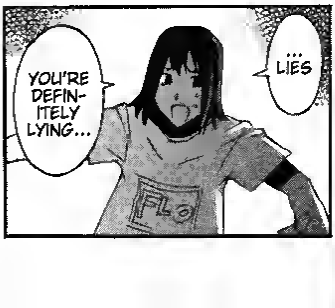
AND IT HAS BEEN PLACED IN THE GYMNASIUM
YOU'RE LYING ...


YOU'RE DEFIN-ITELY LYING...
... LIES

MIYATA SANAE'S CORPSE WAS FOUND

!
IT'S A LIE ...
コラ...
CRAP, ONE OF THEM IS STILL ALIVE...
ばっ
TWO!?
!?
SHIT
I WON'T MAKE IT ...!!!

ドシュ

WHAT!?
GIEEE
ドスッ
ガブ
…EH…
ズッ

Mü-
グラ:

MIYATA-SAN!!
ゴッ
W-WHY ...
ガバッ
YOUR GIRLFRIEND TURNED INTO A FISHWOMAN
ブルブル...

BUT IN SPITE OF THAT, YOUR GIRLFRIEND STILL PROTECTED YOU

MIYATA SANAE'S DEATH WAS CAUSED BY YOU ...
THAT'S THE TRUTH

MIYATA-SAN WAS KIND TO ME
...

SAW MY GIRL-FRIEND'S EXPRES-SION...

AT THAT TIME, I ...

I DIDN'T THINK, I JUST WANTED EVERYONE TO DIE...!
ギュ
WAS THAT EXPRE-SSION
REALLY THAT SCORNFUL?

DO YOU STILL WISH
NEVER TO SEE THAT EXPRE-SSION AGAIN?
...
THAT'S ...
SHE WAS A STRONG GIRL-FRIEND
BUT YOU'VE ...

IMPLICATED THAT GIRLFRIEND IN THIS INCIDENT

YOU'VE KILLED YOUR GIRLFRIEND TWICE

WE HANDED MIZUNASHI YOUSUKE OVER TO THE POLICE

...HE'S SUCH A PITIFUL PERSON...

WAS WHAT I SAID

YOU'RE TOO KIND

WAS WHAT ASOU-SAN SAID

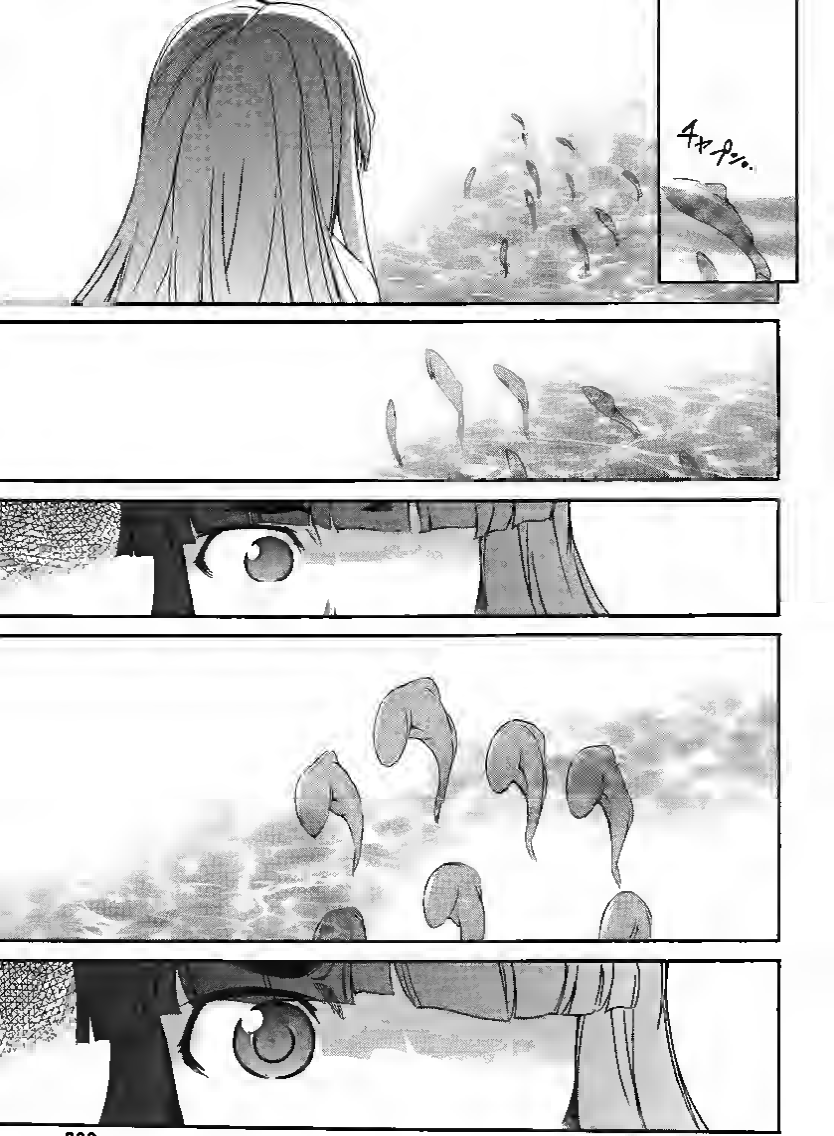
...EH?

BUT... I DON'T UNDER-STAND

WHY MIYATA-SAN, HIS GIRL-FRIEND, WOULD GO SO FAR TO PROTECT HIM...

MIYATA SANAE WAS PREGNANT
BUT THERE'S ONE STRANGE THING ABOUT THE AUTOPSY...
?
JUST WHAT DOES THAT MEAN
I DON'T UNDER-STAND BUT...

THERE WERE SIGNS OF DELIVERY ...
...JUST WHAT DID SHE
GIVE BIRTH TO...?
W.C.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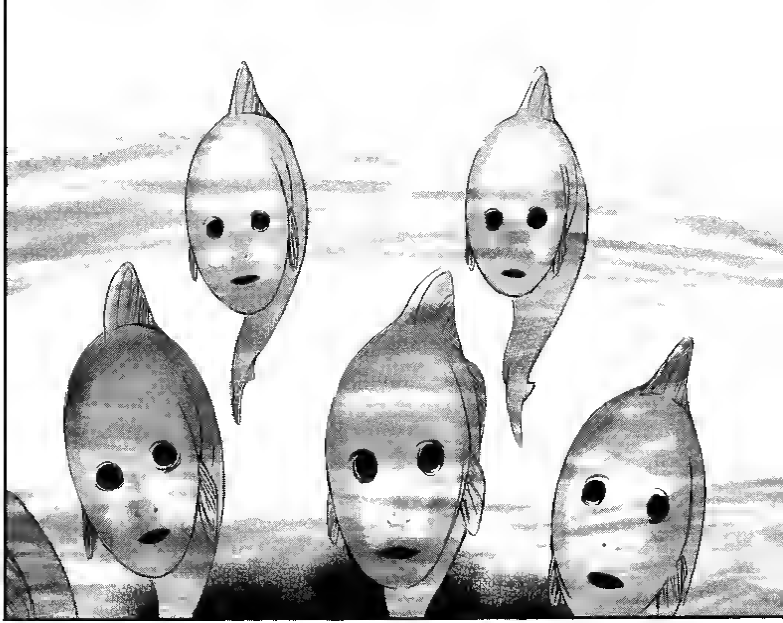

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THE MAN UNDER THE BED

THE STORY ABOUT A MAN WIELDING AN AXE UNDER THE BED IS AN URBAN LEGEND WITH A SHORTER HISTORY.

STALKING IS ESTABLISHED AS A CRIME IN JAPAN, SO THIS IS GENERALLY MORE RECENT.

A WHILE LATER, STALKER RUMORS WITH SOME TRUE CASES SURFACED, AND NATURALLY THEY SUPPORTED THIS.

IT WAS VERY UNSTABLE AND FRIGHTENING. THE URBAN LEGEND DID HAVE ROOTS WHICH REFLECTED SOCIETY THEN.

KUCHISAKE-ONNA

ONE OF THE MOST MENTIONED URBAN LEGENDS. A WOMAN CUT FROM THE MOUTH TO EAR WILL COME TO YOU, FACE HIDDEN IN A MASK, AND ASK.

"AM I BEAUTIFUL?"

IF YOU SAY NO YOU'LL BE RIPPED APART BUT IF YOU SAY YES, SHE'LL REVEAL HER FACE AND SAY "EVEN LIKE THIS?" AND STILL KILL YOU.

"SO-SO" ALLOWS YOU TO ESCAPE.

ON THE FUNNIER SIDE, IF YOU RUN 100 METERS WITHIN 3 SECONDS, GIVE HER SOMETHING DELICIOUS, OR FOR BOYS GIVE HER POMADE, SHE WILL BECOME FRIGHTENED.

FISHMEN

TALES ABOUT SIGHTING HUMANS WITH FISH HEADS, HYPED UP BY THE MEDIA.

THERE ARE THINGS WITH HUMAN FACES, AND HUMANS WITH ANIMAL FACES. FROM THESE FRIGHTFUL TALES ONE WONDERS WHAT BEING A HUMAN IS.

IF THINGS WEARING HUMAN FACES HAVE SOME HUMANITY, WHAT DO THEY THINK OF...

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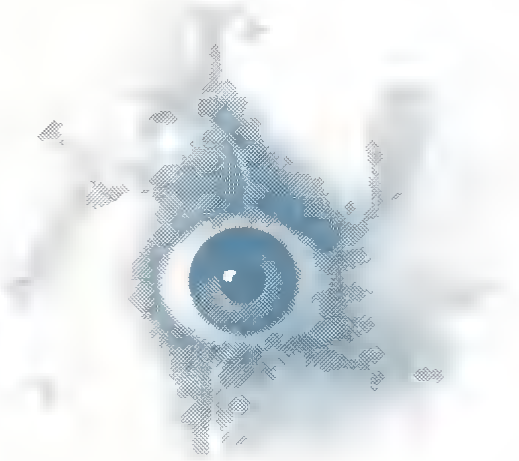

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「トイレの花子さん」「こっくりさん」「人面魚」etc.…

寓話と名のつく話には、特別な力がある。

「本当にあるかもしれない」と思ったその瞬間、

それらは現実となって、あなたの眼前に現われる。

これは、そんな寓話と、寓話から人々を救う者達の、

儚くも美しい物語…。

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